

Mount McKinley Patrol Cabins  
Denali National Park & Preserve  
McKinley Station, Yukon-Koyukuk Division  
Alaska

HABS No. AK-32

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey  
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE ALASKA	COUNTY YUKON-KOYUKUK DIVISION	TOWN OR VICINITY MCKINLEY STATION
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Mount McKinley Patrol Cabins (National Park Service files)		HABS NO. AK-32
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Denali National Park & Preserve		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The Patrol Cabins in the Park represent the country's early national park mission: the conservation and protection of areas selected for their outstanding natural features and the provision of access to these areas through the development of transportation resources. These cabins, spaced one day's dog sled travel apart, formed the backbone of the patrol system.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Log cabin		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) logs		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Individually and collectively, these cabins feature a rustic appearance that reflects vernacular building traditions and use of indigenous materials and skills		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES These cabins experienced few exterior alterations. As a result of contemporary use, periodic changes (improvements) have been made to the interiors. Beginning in 1984, the park undertook the rehabilitation of cabins using in-kind materials and some historic tools employing the skills of an experienced cabin builder.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE in transition; used as patrol cabins and some residences for park personnel because of the reinitiation of dog teams into park operations and to relieve the housing shortage		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) NPS files; National Register of Historic Places (draft); see Bibliography HABS AK-35, Mount McKinley Headquarters; Evans, Dave. "Cabin Management Plan." National Park Service. Denali National Park & Preserve, 1985.		
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